Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 23 Oct 2020 until 23:59 on Saturday 24 Oct 2020

Forecast Issued on Friday 23 Oct 2020 at 03:39 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for unsettled conditions over next five days with showery, windy weather.

Headline for Friday 23 Oct 2020: Early rain soon giving way to sunny spells and scattered showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 23 Oct 2020

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sleet	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Light snow	Light snow
Precipitation probability					
50%	20%	40%	40%	30%	20%

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Weather: Cloudy with rain, heavy at first, soon clearing eastwards on Friday morning. Drier, brighter weather following with scattered showers. The showers mostly affecting hills near to the West Coast with the odd heavier one possible, wintry on highest peaks.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20% at first, improving 70% during morning. Extensive cloud cover down around 600M lifting and breaking up during the morning.

Visibility: Misty conditions at first but poor in persistent precipitation. Visibility improving good during the morning with brief reductions in the afternoon as showers pass by.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	34/40 SW	27/35 SW	27/36 SW	25/35 SW	26/34 SW	25/33 S	33/44 S
900	32/38 SW	26/35 SW	26/35 SW	24/33 SW	23/32 SW	23/31 S	31/42 S
600	23/30 SW	17/25 SW	19/28 SW	18/27 SW	16/24 SW	16/25 S	22/33 S
300	5/27 SW	5/24 SW	7/26 SW	7/27 SW	4/22 SW	5/23 S	8/31 S
Glen	11/25 SW	9/21 SW	9/21 SW	10/22 SW	8/20 SW	10/25 S	13/31 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	1/-6	1/-6	0/-7	0/-7	0/-7	0/-7	0/-8
900	2/-5	2/-5	1/-6	1/-6	1/-6	1/-6	1/-7
600	4/-2	4/-1	4/-1	3/-2	3/-2	3/-2	3/-3
300	6/4	6/4	7/4	6/4	5/3	5/3	5/3
Glen	8/5	9/6	9/7	9/6	8/5	7/5	8/5
Freezing Level*	1200m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Feeling bitterly cold over higher ridges/summits due to combination of strong winds and temperatures close to freezing.

Forecast for Saturday 24 Oct 2020
Weather: Cloudy morning with outbreaks of rain and extensive hill fog. Brighter afternoon with sunny intervals and blustery showers, some heavy and turning wintry on highest peaks. Feeling bitterly cold on higher ridges and summits.

Maximum wind: Severe gale force southerly winds, even storm force on the tops at first, average speeds of 50mph with gusts 70 to 80mph. Winds becoming southwesterly in afternoon and easing a little.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Very little chance in the morning with clouds well down the hills. Chances improving to 50% in afternoon with occasional cloud cover about 600 to 700m, briefly extensive as showers come along.

Visibility: Poor visibility, even very poor in heavier rain with navigational difficulties. Visibility will become good in afternoon away from showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 Celsius rising to 11 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 2 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1300M lowering to 1100m.

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